GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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Violation of DGCA Guidelines
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether about 40 Spicejet pilots are under the scanner of Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) for operating flights beyond the maximum flying hours permitted by the aviation regulator putting passenger safety at risk;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action being taken or proposed to be taken against the airlines for violation of DGCA guidelines?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Jayant Sinha)

(a) & (b) Yes Madam, During surveillance and subsequent scrutiny of records it has been revealed that 63 pilots of M/s Spicejet had operated flights exceeding flight duty period as laid down in Civil Aviation Requirements Section 7 Series J Part-III, Issue-II.

(c) Pilots who have exceeded flight duty period more than once have been suspended for the period of 15 days. The warnings have been issued to the pilots who have exceeded flight duty period only once.